

# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chair  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Taxiway Bravo & Echo Complex project in fiscal year 2024.

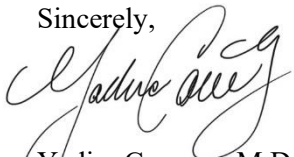
The entity to receive funding for this project is the Greeley-Weld County Airport Authority, located at 600 Airport Rd. #A Greeley, CO 80631. The funding would be used for the design and construction process for a new taxiway complex on the east side of the facility. The new taxiway would connect both runways (10/28 & 17/35) to the east side of the airport allowing alternative access for existing and future users of the airport thus enhancing safety.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because in a 2020 study, the airport's total economic output to the community and state was \$125 million. In that study the airport accounted for 441 on-airport and 146 off-airport jobs. The taxiway would provide direct benefits to the airport in the form of increased capacity for the airfield. Currently there is a hangar shortage for both large and small aircraft along the Front Range. This complex would open up 80 acres for additional hangar development to help alleviate some of that shortage and in turn increase employment in the region directly and indirectly. This project would contribute directly to employment in areas such as construction, engineering, fabrication, and aviation. Indirectly, it would contribute to employment in the area by becoming an asset for businesses who are looking to move operations to the area and need a fast and efficient transportation solution.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 49 U.S.C. 47100 et seq.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Yadira Caraveo, M.D.  
Member of Congress